

20. It will thus be seen that there is ample margin to finance the scheme, and that the amount actually spent upon every laborer supplied after deducting the sum provided for advance will be about eight annas a year. It may be stated here that in either cases of acreage contribution or labor cess the employees' actual wages will have to be paid separately according to the rate prevalent in each district, and this is only fair when we consider that the present incidence per labor paid every year in the shape of commission to the surveyors so far as casual enquiries go, work up imperceptibly to twice or even three times the cost necessary under the scheme.

S. N. APPANNA IYENGAR,

Secretary, Central Committee, M. I. S., Shimoga.

APPENDIX TO RESOLUTION No. VII.

MINUTES OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING CONVENED TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LAND BANK.

(*Vide* Resolution No. II of the Central Committee Proceedings dated 4th October 1915.)

PRESENT.

1. K. Matthan, Esq., B.A. (Chairman).
2. Mr. S. N. Appanna Iyengar, B.A., B.L. (Secretary).
3. " R. Nanaswami Rao, Special Revenue Officer, Chikmagalur.
4. " S. R. Balakrishna Rao, B.A., LL.B., Advocate, Shimoga.

ABSENT.

1. Mr. D. W. Meppen, District Economic Superintendent, Chikmagalur.
2. " C. Srinivasa Rao, Coffee Planter, Chikmagalur.

After a preliminary discussion among the members present, it was resolved that as most of the lands in the malnad are mortgaged almost up to the maximum of their market value, and as no Bank will be willing to lend more than 60 per cent of the market value of the lands mortgaged, recommendation be, in the first instance, made to Government to pass legislation which will enable indebted raiyats in the malnad, to commute their existing loans into long term easy instalment loans and that thereafter a Land Bank be started with facilities under the Co-operative Societies Regulation in the matter of Registration, Stamp duty, etc.

Further resolved that a draft bill be prepared on the lines of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act of 1879; as amended to date and the same be circulated among the members for opinion.

K. MATTHAN,

Chairman, M. I. S., Sub-Committee.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE MALNAD DURING THE YEAR 1915-16, HELD AT TARIKERE ON MONDAY, THE 4TH OCTOBER 1915.

II. Note by Mr. M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore, on the establishment of State-Aided Land Banks proposed by Mr. Ananda Rao S. Sirsi and the latter's remarks regarding the same.

Resolved that a Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. K. Matthan (Chairman), C. Srinivasa Rao, S. R. Balakrishna Rao, D. W. Meppen, R. Nanaswami Rao and the Secretary, Central Committee, be appointed to discuss and formulate a scheme for the establishment of Land Banks.

It was further resolved that in view of the urgent necessity to relieve the heavy indebtedness of the malnad raiyats, Government be moved to sanction at once the grant of a lakh of rupees to be placed at the disposal of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore as contemplated in Government Order No. FL 277-B. 37-13-2, dated 22nd July 1914, to finance the existing Co-operative Societies in the malnad.

K KRISHNA IYER,

Chairman.